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Applicant: Hans-Juergen Kuhr et al.
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION

Box Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir/Madam:

Applicants thank Examiner Ngo for the courtesies extended to Christine Orich during telephonic interviews of January 14, 2003 and January 27, 2003. In response to the Final Office Action mailed November 29, 2002, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment. A marked-up copy of the amended claims are included in the attached Appendix.

In The Claims

Please cancel claim 52 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.